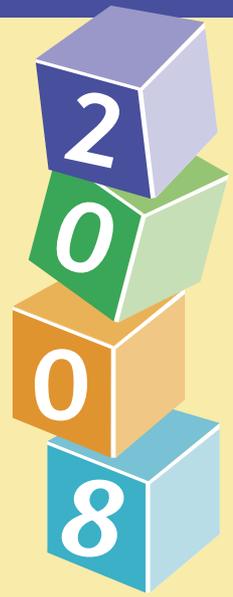


*Meeting the Needs  
of Young Children  
and Families*



# **BUILDING STRONG RELATIONSHIPS**

## **EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL CONFERENCE**



*November 12, 13 & 14, 2008*

*Quorum Hotel  
700 North Westshore Boulevard  
Tampa, Florida 33609*



*Presented by the  
Early Childhood Council in collaboration  
with the Healthy Start Coalition  
of Hillsborough County, Inc.*





## ABOUT ECC

*Celebrating 25 years of excellence, the Early Childhood Council of Hillsborough County, Inc. was established in 1983 to increase community awareness and access to services for young children with special needs. Today, ECC continues its rich tradition of advocacy, education, and innovation to benefit all children from birth to age eight and their families.*

*We believe that an educated community working together to provide early intervention services will help ensure the optimal development, health, and well-being of its children.*

*ECC welcomes individual and agency memberships. Benefits include voting privileges, discounted registration fees for ECC's annual conference, e-mail information, advocacy alerts, and networking opportunities with area community agencies. For more information, visit [www.ecctampabay.org](http://www.ecctampabay.org).*



## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

*Case Managers, Early Childhood Specialists, Child Care Personnel, Therapists, Physicians and Nurses, Early Intervention Staff, Community Leaders, Social Workers, Caregivers and Parents.*



## CEUs

*Certificates of Attendance will be provided to all participants. Continuing Education Units will be available for Nursing and Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health.*



## HOTEL INFO

*Quorum Hotel - The Business Resorts  
700 North Westshore Boulevard  
Tampa, Florida 33609  
(813) 289-8200*

*Located in the heart of the Westshore business district, the Quorum Hotel is just two miles from Tampa International Airport and positioned directly between Tampa's two largest shopping malls - Westshore Plaza and International Plaza. Catering to leisure and business travelers alike, the boutique-style Quorum Hotel offers an exciting blend of unique amenities and stellar service.*

*Visit [www.quorumtampa.com](http://www.quorumtampa.com) to see the beautiful hotel facilities.*

*Self parking and valet parking is complimentary.*

*For hotel reservations, please fill out the conference registration form and send payment based on how many nights you wish to stay. ECC will make your reservation for a room rate of \$139/night for November 12 and/or 13, 2008. Please note: You will be responsible for any additional room charges you incur during your stay.*

# WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm ECC Executive Board Meeting  
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm Registration  
Opening Reception with April Lott, LCSW  
*Networking, Appetizers & Cash Bar*

# THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

- 8:00 am - 8:30 am Registration  
8:30 am - 8:45 am Welcome & Breakfast  
8:45 am - 10:00 am Keynote Speaker: Dr. Myra McPherson  
*Building Community Relationships*

10:00 am - 10:30 am Vendor Break

10:30 am - 12:00 pm Session One

- Healthy Births: *The Needs of Children with Teen Parents*  
Kay Perrin, PhD, RN
- Early Childhood: *Building Family Support Programs in a Preschool Setting*  
Carissa Amann, Heidi Honea & Greg VanPelt, MS
- Clinical Practice: *The Value of Our Chosen Profession*  
Dr. Myra McPherson
- Leadership/Advocacy: *Compassion Fatigue*  
April Lott, LCSW

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Lunch & Learn  
*Includes lunch and helpful resource presentations*

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Session Two

- Healthy Births: *Where Have All The Babies Gone? The HUG Program*  
Cindy Collins, RN & Jocelyn Del Rio
- Early Childhood: *All About Us: A Group Model of Infant Mental Health Education*  
Holly Stewart & Jennifer Wilson
- Clinical Practice: *Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapies: Scope, Expectations, Goal-Setting and Advocacy*  
Toni Thompson, MA, OTRK, BCP
- Leadership/Advocacy: *Advocating for Inclusive Play*  
Stefani Busansky

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm Vendor Break

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Session Three

- Healthy Births: *Obesity & Pregnancy*  
Cecilia Jevitt, CNM, PhD
- Early Childhood: *Facing the Challenge: Managing Children's Challenging Behaviors*  
Deborah Alleyne, MS
- Clinical Practice: *Understanding the Influence of the Hispanic/Latino Culture on Developing Autonomy in Children Ages 0-5*  
Ana Leon, PhD, LCSW
- Leadership/Advocacy: *Why Traditional Systems of Care for Babies Won't Work*  
Allison Pinto, PhD

# FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

- 8:00 am - 8:30 am     Registration  
8:30 am - 8:45 am     Welcome & Breakfast  
8:45 am - 10:00 am    Keynote Speaker: Ethel Seiderman, MA  
*Building Family Relationships*

10:00 am - 10:30 am    Vendor Break

10:30 am - 12:00 pm    Session One

- Healthy Births: *Interconceptional Care*  
Lisa Colen, MHA
- Early Childhood: *It's Never Too Early: Assessing and Promoting Infant Mental Health*  
Deborah Alleyne, MS
- Clinical Practice: *Coaching Teachers in the Teaching Pyramid*  
Lise Fox, PhD & Rochelle Lentini, MEd
- Leadership/Advocacy: *Advocating on a Legislative Level*  
Amy Petrila, MEd

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm    Lunch & Learn

*Includes lunch and helpful resource presentations*

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm     Session Two

- Healthy Births: *A Review of the Black Infant Health Practice Initiative: Promoting Trust and Communication in Community Engagement and Mobilization*  
Estrellita “Lo” Berry, MA & Deborah Austin, PhD
- Early Childhood: *Meeting the Needs of Young Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders*  
JC Smith, MS, Jason Hangauer, MA & Emily Shaffer, MA
- Clinical Practice: *Supporting Teachers and Children During In-Class Transition: The Power of Prevention*  
Rochelle Lentini, MEd & Sarah Mele, MA
- Leadership/Advocacy: *How to be Frontline Advocates for Families*  
Ethel Seiderman, MA

## PARTNERS

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